AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE TO H.R. 5358

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Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

1 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

- This Act may be cited as the "Science and Mathe-
- 3 matics Education for Competitiveness Act".

4 SEC. 2. FINDINGS.

- 5 Congress finds the following:
- 6 (1) The National Science Foundation has made 7 significant and valuable contributions to the im-8 provement of K-12 and undergraduate science, tech-
- 9 nology, engineering, and mathematics education
- throughout its 56 year history.
- 11 (2) The National Science Foundation shall con-
- tinue to carry out the functions described in section
- 3 of the National Science Foundation Act of 1950
- 14 (42 U.S.C. 1862).



1	SEC. 3. ROBERT NOYCE TEACHER SCHOLARSHIP PRO-
2	GRAM.
3	Section 10 of the National Science Foundation Au-
4	thorization Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 1862n-1) is
5	amended—
6	(1) by inserting "Teacher" after "Noyce" in
7	the section heading and each place it appears in the
8	text;
9	(2) in subsection $(a)(1)$ —
10	(A) by striking "to provide scholarships,
11	stipends, and programming designed"; and
12	(B) by inserting "and to provide scholar-
13	ships and stipends to students participating in
14	the program" after "science teachers";
15	(3) in subsection (a)(3)(A)—
16	(A) by striking "encourage top college jun-
17	iors and seniors" and inserting "recruit and
18	prepare undergraduate students"; and
19	(B) by inserting "qualified as" after "to
20	become";
21	(4) in subsection (a)(3)(A)(ii)—
22	(A) by striking "programs to help scholar-
23	ship recipients" and inserting "academic
24	courses and early field teaching experiences de-
25	signed to prepare students participating in the



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program";

1	(B) by striking "programs that will result
2	in" and inserting "such preparation as is nec-
3	essary to meet requirements for"; and
4	(C) by striking "licensing; and" and insert-
5	ing "licensing;";
6	(5) in subsection (a)(3)(A)(iii)—
7	(A) by striking "scholarship recipients"
8	and inserting "students participating in the
9	program'';
10	(B) by striking "enable the recipients" and
11	inserting "enable the students"; and
12	(C) by striking ";or" and inserting ";
13	and";
14	(6) in subsection (a)(3)(A) by inserting at the
15	end the following new clause:
16	"(iv) providing summer internships
17	for freshman and sophomore students par-
18	ticipating in the program; or";
19	(7) in subsection (a)(3)(B)—
20	(A) by striking "encourage" and inserting
21	"recruit and prepare"; and
22	(B) by inserting "qualified as" after "to
23	become";
24	(8) by amending clause (ii) of subsection
25	(a)(3)(B) to read as follows:



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1	"(ii) offering academic courses and
2	field teaching experiences designed to pre-
3	pare stipend recipients to teach in elemen-
4	tary schools and secondary schools, includ-
5	ing such preparation as necessary to meet
6	requirements for teacher certification or li-
7	censing;";
8	(9) in subsection (a) by inserting at the end the
9	following new paragraph:
10	"(4) Eligibility requirement.—To be eligi-
11	ble for an award under this section, an institution
12	of higher education (or consortia of such institu-
13	tions) shall ensure that specific faculty members and
14	staff from the institution's mathematics, science, or
15	engineering departments and specific education fac-
16	ulty are designated to carry out the development and
17	implementation of the program. An institution of
18	higher education may also include teacher leaders to
19	participate in developing the pedagogical content of
20	the program and to supervise students participating
21	in the program in their field teaching experiences.
22	No institution of higher education shall be eligible
23	for an award unless faculty from the institution's
24	mathematics, science, or engineering departments

are active participants in the program.";



1	(10) in subsection $(b)(1)(A)$ —
2	(A) by striking "scholarship or stipend";
3	(B) by inserting "and summer intern-
4	ships" after "number of scholarships"; and
5	(C) by inserting "the type of activities pro-
6	posed for the recruitment of students to the
7	program," after "intends to award,";
8	(11) in subsection $(b)(1)(B)$ —
9	(A) by striking "scholarship or stipend";
10	and
11	(B) by striking ";and" and inserting ",
12	which may include a description of any existing
13	programs at the applicant's institution that are
14	targeted to the education of science and mathe-
15	matics teachers and the number of teachers
16	graduated annually from such programs;";
17	(12) in subsection (b)(1), by striking subpara-
18	graph (C) and inserting the following:
19	"(C) a description of the academic courses
20	and field teaching experiences required under
21	subsection (a)(3)(A)(ii) and (B)(ii), including—
22	"(i) a description of the under-
23	graduate program that will enable a stu-
24	dent to graduate in 4 years with a major
25	in mathematics, science, or engineering



1	and to obtain teacher certification or li-
2	censing;
3	"(ii) a description of the field teaching
4	experiences proposed; and
5	"(iii) evidence of agreements between
6	the applicant and the schools or school dis-
7	tricts that are identified as the locations at
8	which field teaching experiences will occur
9	"(D) a description of the programs re-
10	quired under subsection (a)(3)(A)(iii) and
11	(B)(iii), including activities to assist new teach-
12	ers in fulfilling their service requirements under
13	this section; and
14	"(E) an identification of the applicant's
15	mathematics, science, or engineering faculty
16	and its education faculty who will carry out the
17	development and implementation of the pro-
18	gram as required under subsection (a)(4).";
19	(13) in subsection $(b)(2)$ —
20	(A) by redesignating subparagraphs (B)
21	(C), (D), and (E) as subparagraphs (C), (D)
22	(E) and (F), respectively; and
23	(B) by inserting after subparagraph (A) a
24	new subparagraph as follows:



1	"(B) the extent to which the applicant's
2	mathematics, science, or engineering faculty
3	and its education faculty have worked or will
4	work collaboratively to design new or revised
5	curricula that recognizes the specialized peda-
6	gogy required to teach mathematics and science
7	effectively in elementary and secondary
8	schools;";
9	(14) in subsection $(c)(3)$ —
10	(A) by striking "\$7,500" and inserting
11	"\$10,000"; and
12	(B) by striking "of scholarship support"
13	and inserting "of scholarship support, unless
14	the Director establishes a policy by which part-
15	time students may receive additional years of
16	support";
17	(15) in subsection $(c)(4)$ —
18	(A) by inserting ", with a maximum serv-
19	ice requirement of 4 years" after "was re-
20	ceived"; and
21	(B) by striking "Service required under
22	this paragraph shall be performed in a high-
23	need local educational agency.";
24	(16) in subsection (c), by adding at the end a



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new paragraph as follows:

1	"(5) Exception.—The period of service obliga-
2	tion under paragraph (4) is reduced by 1 year for
3	scholarship recipients whose service is performed in
4	a high-need local educational agency.";
5	(17) in subsection (d)(1), by striking "to re-
6	ceive certification or licensing to teach" and insert-
7	ing "established under subsection (a)(3)(B)";
8	(18) in subsection $(d)(2)$, by inserting "and
9	professional achievement" after "academic merit";
10	(19) in subsection (d)(3), by striking "1 year"
11	and inserting "16 months";
12	(20) in subsection (d)(4), by striking "for each
13	year a stipend was received";
14	(21) in subsection $(g)(2)(A)$ —
15	(A) by striking "Treasurer of the United
16	States," and inserting "Treasurer of the United
17	States."; and
18	(B) by striking "multiplied by 2."
19	(22) in subsection (i)(3), by inserting "or had
20	a career in" after "is working in"; and
21	(23) by adding at the end the following:
22	"(j) Science and Mathematics Scholarship
23	GIFT FUND.—In accordance with section 11(f) of the Na-
24	tional Science Foundation Act of 1950, the Director is au-
25	thorized to accept donations from the private sector to



support scholarships, stipends, or internships associated
with programs under this section.
"(k) Authorization of Appropriations.—Except
as provided in subsection (l), there are authorized to be
appropriated to the Director for the Robert Noyce Teacher
Scholarship Program—
"(1) $$50,000,000$ for fiscal year 2007, of which
at least \$7,500,000 shall be used for capacity build-
ing activities described in subsection $(a)(3)(A)(ii)$
and (iii) and (B)(ii) and (iii);
"(2) \$70,000,000 for fiscal year 2008, of which
at least \$10,500,000 shall be used for capacity
building activities described in subsection
(a)(3)(A)(ii) and (iii) and (B)(ii) and (iii);
"(3) \$90,000,000 for fiscal year 2009, of which
at least \$13,500,000 shall be used for capacity
building activities described in subsection
(a)(3)(A)(ii) and (iii) and (B)(ii) and (iii);
" (4) \$110,000,000 for fiscal year 2010, of
which at least \$16,500,000 shall be used for capac-
ity building activities described in subsection
(a)(3)(A)(ii) and (iii) and (B)(ii) and (iii); and
" (5) \$130,000,000 for fiscal year 2011, of

which at least \$19,500,000 shall be used for capac-



1	ity building activities described in subsection
2	(a)(3)(A)(ii) and (iii) and (B)(ii) and (iii).
3	"(l) Exception.—For any fiscal year for which the
4	funding allocated for activities under this section is less
5	than \$50,000,000, the amount of funding available for ca-
6	pacity building activities described in paragraphs (1)
7	through (5) of subsection (k) shall not exceed 15 percent
8	of the allocated funds.".
9	SEC. 4. SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY PARTNERSHIPS FOR
10	SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS EDUCATION.
11	(a) In General.—Section 9 of the National Science
12	Foundation Authorization Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 1862n)
13	is amended—
14	(1) in the section heading by striking "MATHE-
15	MATICS AND SCIENCE EDUCATION PARTNER-
16	SHIPS" and inserting "SCHOOL AND UNIVERSITY
17	PARTNERSHIPS FOR SCIENCE AND MATHE-
18	MATICS EDUCATION";
19	(2) in subsection $(a)(2)$ —
20	(A) by striking "(A)";
21	(B) by striking subparagraph (B);
22	(C) by inserting ", through 1 or more of
23	its departments in science, mathematics, or en-
24	gineering," after "institution of higher edu-
25	cation"; and



1	(D) by striking "a State educational agen-
2	cy" and inserting "education faculty from the
3	participating institution or institutions of high-
4	er education, a State educational agency,";
5	(3) in subsection (a)(3)(B) by—
6	(A) inserting "content-specific" before
7	"professional development programs";
8	(B) inserting "which are" before "de-
9	signed"; and
10	(C) inserting "and which may include
11	teacher training activities to prepare science
12	and mathematics teachers to teach Advanced
13	Placement and International Baccalaureate
14	science and mathematics courses" after "and
15	science teachers";
16	(4) in subsection (a)(3)(C) by inserting "and
17	laboratory experiences" after "technology" and by
18	inserting "and laboratory" after "provide technical";
19	(5) in subsection (a)(3)(E) by striking "master
20	teachers" and inserting "teacher leaders";
21	(6) in subsection (a)(3)(I) by inserting "includ-
22	ing model induction programs for teachers in their
23	first 2 years of teaching," after "and science,";
24	(7) in subsection (a)(3)(K) by striking "devel-
25	oping and offering mathematics or science enrich-



1	ment programs for students, including after-school
2	and summer programs;" and inserting "developing
3	educational programs and materials for use in and
4	conducting mathematics or science enrichment pro-
5	grams for students, including after-school programs
6	and summer camps for students described in sub-
7	section $(b)(2)(G)$;";
8	(8) in subsection (a)(4) by striking "master
9	teachers" and inserting "teacher leaders" each place
10	it appears;
11	(9) in subsection (a) by inserting at the end the
12	following:
13	"(8) Master's degree programs.—Activities
14	carried out in accordance with paragraph (3)(B)
15	shall include the development and offering of mas-
16	ter's degree programs for in-service mathematics
17	and science teachers that will strengthen their sub-
18	ject area knowledge and pedagogical skills. Grants
19	provided under this section may be used to develop
20	and implement courses of instruction for the mas-
21	ter's degree programs, which may involve online
22	learning, and develop related educational materials.
23	"(9) Mentors for advanced placement
24	COURSES TEACHERS AND STUDENTS.—Partnerships

carrying out activities to prepare science and mathe-



matics teachers to teach Advanced Placement and
International Baccalaureate science and mathe-
matics courses in accordance with paragraph (3)(B)
shall encourage companies employing scientists
mathematicians, or engineers to provide mentors to
teachers and students and provide for the coordina-
tion of such mentoring activities.
"(10) Inventiveness.—Activities carried out
in accordance with paragraph (3)(H) may include
the development and dissemination of curriculum
tools that will help foster inventiveness and innova-
tion.";
(10) in subsection (b)(2) by redesignating sub-
paragraphs (E) and (F) as subparagraphs (F) and
(G), respectively, and inserting after subparagraph
(D) the following new subparagraph:
"(E) the extent to which the evaluation de-
scribed in paragraph (1)(E) will be independent
and based on objective measures;";
(11) in subsection (b)(3)(A) by striking "and"
at the end;
(12) in subsection (b)(3) by redesignating sub-
paragraph (B) as subparagraph (C) and inserting
after subparagraph (A) the following new subpara-



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1	"(B) give priority to applications that in-
2	clude teacher training activities as the main
3	focus of the proposal; and";
4	(13) in subsection (b) by inserting at the end
5	the following:
6	"(4) MINIMUM AND MAXIMUM GRANT SIZE.—A
7	grant awarded under this section shall be not less
8	than \$75,000 or greater than \$2,000,000 for any
9	fiscal year.";
10	(14) in subsection (c)—
11	(A) by striking paragraph (2);
12	(B) by redesignating paragraphs (3), (4),
13	and (5) as paragraphs (4), (5), and (6), respec-
14	tively; and
15	(C) by inserting after paragraph (1) the
16	following new paragraphs:
17	"(2) Report on model projects.—The Di-
18	rector shall determine which completed projects
19	funded through the program under this section
20	should be seen as models to be replicated on a more
21	expansive basis at the State or national levels. Not
22	later than 1 year after the date of enactment of this
23	paragraph, the Director shall transmit a report de-
24	scribing the results of this study to the Committee
25	on Science and the Committee on Education and the



1	workforce of the House of Representatives and to
2	the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Trans-
3	portation and the Committee on Health, Education
4	Labor, and Pensions of the Senate.
5	"(3) Report on evaluations.—Not later
6	than 4 years after the date of enactment of this
7	paragraph, the Director shall transmit a report sum-
8	marizing the evaluations required under subsection
9	(b)(1)(E) of grants received under this program and
10	describing any changes to the program recommended
11	as a result of these evaluations to the Committee or
12	Science and the Committee on Education and the
13	Workforce of the House of Representatives and to
14	the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Trans-
15	portation and the Committee on Health, Education
16	Labor, and Pensions of the Senate. Such report
17	shall be made widely available to the public."; and
18	(15) by adding at the end the following new
19	subsection:
20	"(d) Definition.—In this section, the term 'mathe-
21	matics and science teacher' means a mathematics, science
22	or technology teacher at the elementary school or sec-
23	ondary school level.".



1	(b) Definitions.—Section 4 of the National Science
2	Foundation Authorization Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 1862n
3	note) is amended—
4	(1) by amending paragraph (6) to read as fol-
5	lows:
6	"(6) Eligible nonprofit organization.—
7	The term 'eligible nonprofit organization' means a
8	nonprofit organization, such as a museum or science
9	center, involved in the preparation, training, or cer-
10	tification of science and mathematics teachers.";
11	(2) by amending paragraph (8) to read as fol-
12	lows:
13	"(8) High-need local educational agen-
14	CY.—The term 'high-need local educational agency'
15	means a local educational agency that—
16	"(A) is receiving grants under title I of the
17	Elementary and Secondary Education Act of
18	1965 (20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq) as a result of
19	having within its jurisdiction concentrations of
20	children from low income families; and
21	"(B) is experiencing a shortage of highly
22	qualified teachers, as defined in section 9101 of
23	the Elementary and Secondary Education Act
24	of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 7801), in the fields of
25	science, mathematics, or engineering."; and



1	(3) in paragraph (11) by striking "master
2	teacher" and inserting "teacher leader" each place it
3	appears.
4	(c) Authorization of Appropriations.—There
5	are authorized to be appropriated to the Director of the
6	National Science Foundation for the School and Univer-
7	sity Partnerships for Science and Mathematics Education
8	program—
9	(1) \$63,000,000 for fiscal year 2007;
10	(2) \$73,000,000 for fiscal year 2008;
11	(3) \$83,000,000 for fiscal year 2009;
12	(4) \$93,000,000 for fiscal year 2010; and
13	(5) \$103,000,000 for fiscal year 2011.
14	SEC. 5. SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATH
15	EMATICS TALENT EXPANSION PROGRAM.
16	(a) Amendments.—Section 8(7) of the National
17	Science Foundation Authorization Act of 2002 is
18	amended—
19	(1) in subparagraph (A) by striking "competi-
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20	tive, merit-based" and all that follows through "in
21	tive, merit-based" and all that follows through "in- recent years" and inserting "competitive, merit-re-
21	recent years" and inserting "competitive, merit-re-



1	"(i) the creation of programs to in-
2	crease the number of students studying to-
3	ward and completing associate's or bach-
4	elor's degrees in science, mathematics, en-
5	gineering and technology, particularly in
6	fields that have faced declining enrollment
7	in recent years; and
8	"(ii) the creation of centers to develop
9	undergraduate curriculum, teaching meth-
10	ods for undergraduate courses, and meth-
11	ods to better train professors and teaching
12	assistants who teach undergraduate
13	courses to increase the number of students
14	completing undergraduate courses in
15	science, mathematics, technology, and engi-
16	neering, including the number of non-
17	majors, and to improve student academic
18	achievement in those courses.
19	Grants made under clause (ii) shall be awarded
20	jointly through the Education and Human Re-
21	sources Directorate and at least 1 research di-
22	rectorate of the Foundation.";
23	(2) in subparagraph (B) by striking "under this
24	paragraph" and inserting "under subparagraph
25	(A)(i)";



1	(3) in subparagraph (C)—
2	(A) by inserting "(i)" before "The types
3	of";
4	(B) by redesignating clauses (i) through
5	(vi) as subclauses (I) through (VI), respectively;
6	(C) by striking "under this paragraph"
7	and inserting "under subparagraph (A)(i)"; and
8	(D) by adding at the end the following new
9	clause:
10	"(ii) The types of activities the Foun-
11	dation may support under subparagraph
12	(A)(ii) include—
13	"(I) creating model curricula and
14	laboratory programs;
15	"(II) developing and dem-
16	onstrating research-based instruc-
17	tional methods and technologies;
18	"(III) developing methods to
19	train graduate students and faculty to
20	be more effective teachers of under-
21	graduates;
22	"(IV) conducting programs to
23	disseminate curricula, instructional
24	methods, or training methods to fac-



1	ulty at the grantee institutions and at
2	other institutions;
3	"(V) conducting assessments of
4	the effectiveness of the Center at ac-
5	complishing the goals described in
6	subparagraph (A)(ii); and
7	"(VI) conducting any other ac-
8	tivities the Director determines will
9	accomplish the goals described in sub-
10	paragraph (A)(ii).";
11	(4) in subparagraph (D)(i), by striking "under
12	this paragraph" and inserting "under subparagraph
13	(A)(i)";
14	(5) in subparagraph (D)(ii), by striking "under
15	this paragraph" and inserting "under subparagraph
16	(A)(i)";
17	(6) after subparagraph (D)(iii), by adding the
18	following new clause:
19	"(iv) A grant under subparagraph (A)(ii) shall
20	be awarded for 5 years, and the Director may extend
21	such a grant for up to 2 additional 3 year periods.";
22	(7) in subparagraph (E), by striking "under
23	this paragraph" both places it appears and inserting
24	"under subparagraph (A)(i)".



1	(8) by redesignating subparagraph (F) as sub-
2	paragraph (J); and
3	(9) by inserting after subparagraph (E) the fol-
4	lowing new subparagraphs:
5	"(F) Grants awarded under subparagraph
6	(A)(ii) shall be carried out by a department or de-
7	partments of science, mathematics, or engineering at
8	institutions of higher education (or a consortia
9	thereof), which may partner with education faculty.
10	Applications for awards under subparagraph (A)(ii)
11	shall be submitted to the Director at such time, in
12	such manner, and containing such information as
13	the Director may require. At a minimum, the appli-
14	cation shall include—
15	"(i) a description of the activities to be
16	carried out by the Center;
17	"(ii) a plan for disseminating programs re-
18	lated to the activities carried out by the Center
19	to faculty at the grantee institution and at
20	other institutions;
21	"(iii) an estimate of the number of faculty,
22	graduate students (if any), and undergraduate
23	students who will be affected by the activities
24	carried out by the Center; and



1	"(iv) a plan for assessing the effectiveness
2	of the Center at accomplishing the goals de-
3	scribed in subparagraph (A)(ii).
4	"(G) in evaluating the applications submitted
5	under subparagraph (F), the Director shall consider,
6	at a minimum—
7	"(i) the ability of the applicant to effec-
8	tively carry out the proposed activities, includ-
9	ing the dissemination activities described in
10	subparagraph (C)(ii)(IV); and
11	"(ii) the extent to which the faculty, staff,
12	and administrators of the applicant institution
13	are committed to improving undergraduate
14	science, mathematics, and engineering edu-
15	cation.
16	"(H) In awarding grants under subparagraph
17	(A)(ii), the Director shall endeavor to ensure that a
18	wide variety of science, mathematics, and engineer-
19	ing fields and types of institutions of higher edu-
20	cation, including 2-year colleges, are covered, and
21	that—
22	"(i) at least 1 Center is housed at a Doc-
23	toral/Research University as defined by the
24	Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of
25	Teaching; and



1	"(ii) at least 1 Center is focused on im-
2	proving undergraduate education in an inter-
3	disciplinary area.
4	"(I) The Director shall convene an annual
5	meeting of the awardees under this paragraph to
6	foster collaboration and to disseminate the results of
7	the Centers and the other activities funded under
8	this paragraph.".
9	(b) REPORT ON DATA COLLECTION.—Not later than
10	180 days after the date of enactment of this Act, the Di-
11	rector shall transmit to Congress a report on how the Di-
12	rector is determining whether current grant recipients in
13	the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics
14	Talent Expansion Program are making satisfactory
15	progress as required by section 8(7)(D)(ii) of the National
16	Science Foundation Authorization Act of 2002 and what
17	funding actions have been taken as a result of the Direc-
18	tor's determinations.
19	(c) Authorization of Appropriations.—There
20	are authorized to be appropriated to the Director of the
21	National Science Foundation for the program described
22	in section 8(7) of the National Science Foundation Au-
23	thorization Act of 2002—



1	(1) \$44,000,000 for fiscal year 2007, of which
2	\$4,000,000 shall be for the grants described in sub-
3	paragraph (A)(ii);
4	(2) \$55,000,000 for fiscal year 2008, of which
5	\$10,000,000 shall be for the grants described in
6	subparagraph (A)(ii);
7	(3) \$60,000,000 for fiscal year 2009, of which
8	\$10,000,000 shall be for the grants described in
9	subparagraph (A)(ii);
10	(4) \$60,000,000 for fiscal year 2010, of which
11	\$10,000,000 shall be for the grants described in
12	subparagraph (A)(ii); and
13	(5) \$60,000,000 for fiscal year 2011, of which
14	\$10,000,000 shall be for the grants described in
15	subparagraph (A)(ii).
16	SEC. 6. INTEGRATIVE GRADUATE EDUCATION AND RE-
17	SEARCH TRAINEESHIP PROGRAM.
18	(a) Funding.—For each of the fiscal years 2007
19	through 2011, the Director of the National Science Foun-
20	dation shall allocate at least 1.5 percent of funds appro-
21	priated for Research and Related Activities to the Integra-
22	tive Graduate Education and Research Traineeship pro-
23	gram.
24	(b) COORDINATION.—The Director shall coordinate
25	with Federal departments and agencies, as appropriate,



- to expand the interdisciplinary nature of the Integrative
- Graduate Education and Research Traineeship program.
- 3 (c) Authority to Accept Funds From Other
- AGENCIES.—The Director is authorized to accept funds
- 5 from other Federal departments and agencies to carry out
- Education 6 Integrative Graduate
- Traineeship program.
- 8 SEC. 7. CENTERS FOR RESEARCH ON LEARNING AND EDU-
- 9 CATION IMPROVEMENT.
- 10 The Director of the National Science Foundation
- 11 shall continue to carry out the program of Centers for Re-
- 12 search on Learning and Education Improvement as estab-
- lished in section 11 of the National Science Foundation
- Authorization Act of 2002 (42 U.S.C. 1862n-2). 14
- 15 SEC. 8. UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION PROGRAMS.
- 16 The Director of the National Science Foundation
- 17 shall continue to carry out programs in undergraduate
- 18 education, including those authorized in section 17 of the
- 19 National Science Foundation Authorization Act of 2002
- 20 (42 U.S.C. 1862n-6). Funding for these programs shall
- increase as funding for the National Science Foundation 21
- 22 grows.



1 SEC. 9. EVALUATION OF PROFESSIONAL SCIENCE MAS-

- TERS.
- Not earlier than 1 year after the date of enactment
- 4 of this Act, the Director of the National Science Founda-
- 5 tion shall enter into an agreement with an appropriate
- 6 party to assess the impact of the Professional Science
- 7 Master's (PSM) degree at a variety of institutions, includ-
- 8 ing the extent to which the degree is interdisciplinary and
- 9 targeted to emerging fields, such as services sciences, the
- 10 ability of graduates to obtain employment in industry rel-
- 11 ative to those who receive traditional science master's de-
- 12 grees, salary ranges for graduates relative to traditional
- 13 science masters graduates, the extent to which the degree
- 14 is terminal or graduates go on to continue their education,
- 15 and the success of the degree in attracting traditionally
- 16 underrepresented populations, including women and mi-
- 17 norities. The results of such study, together with any rec-
- 18 ommendations for Federal support for Professional
- 19 Science Master's programs, shall be transmitted to the
- 20 Congress not later than 3 years after the date of enact-
- 21 ment of this Act.

22 SEC. 10. REPORT ON BROADER IMPACTS CRITERION.

- Not later than 1 year after the date of enactment
- 24 of this Act, the Director of the National Science Founda-
- 25 tion shall transmit to Congress a report on the impact of



1	the broader impacts grant criterion used by the National
2	Science Foundation. The report shall——
3	(1) identify the criteria that each division and
4	directorate of the Foundation uses to evaluate the
5	broader impacts aspects of research proposals;
6	(2) provide a breakdown of the types of activi-
7	ties by division that awardees have proposed to carry
8	out to meet the broader impacts criterion;
9	(3) provide any evaluations performed by the
10	National Science Foundation to assess the degree to
11	which the broader impacts aspects of research pro-
12	posals were carried out and how effective they have
13	been at meeting the goals described in the research
14	proposals;
15	(4) describe what national goals, such as im-
16	proving undergraduate science, mathematics, and
17	engineering education, improving K-12 science and
18	mathematics education, promoting university-indus-
19	try collaboration and technology transfer, and broad-
20	ening participation of underrepresented groups, the
21	broader impacts criterion is best suited to promote;
22	and
23	(5) describe what steps the National Science

Foundation is taking and should take to use the



1	broader impacts criterion to improve undergraduate
2	science, mathematics, and engineering education.
3	SEC. 11. STUDY ON LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DONATIONS
4	FOR SCHOOLS.
5	Not later than 2 years after the date of enactment
6	of this Act, the Director of the National Science Founda-
7	tion shall transmit a report to the Congress examining the
8	extent to which institutions of higher education are donat-
9	ing used laboratory equipment to elementary and sec-
10	ondary schools. The Director, in consultation with the Sec-
11	retary of Education, shall survey institutions of higher
12	education to determine—
13	(1) how often, how much, and what type of
14	equipment is donated;
15	(2) what criteria or guidelines the institutions
16	are using to determine what types of equipment can
17	be donated, what condition the equipment should be
18	in, and which schools receive the equipment;
19	(3) whether the institutions provide any support
20	to, or follow-up with the schools; and
21	(4) how appropriate donations can be encour-
22	aged.



1	SEC. 12. ASSESSMENTS OF NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDA-
2	TION EDUCATION PROGRAMS.
3	In conducting assessments of National Science Foun-
4	dation education programs, the Director shall use assess-
5	ment methods that allow Foundation programs to be com-
6	pared to education programs supported by other Federal
7	agencies.
8	SEC. 13. EDUCATION PROGRAMS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF
9	ENERGY.
10	(a) Authorization of Education Programs.—
11	The Secretary of Energy, acting through the Office of
12	Science, shall carry out education programs and activities
13	in fields related to the Office of Science's mission, which
14	may include awarding scholarships or fellowships for study
15	and research, providing research experiences at National
16	Laboratories for undergraduates, and operating summer
17	institutes to improve the content knowledge of science and
18	mathematics teachers.
19	(b) Inventory and Evaluation.—
20	(1) Report.—Not later than 1 year after the
21	date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of En-
22	ergy shall transmit a report to the Congress which
23	shall contain—
24	(A) an inventory of existing education pro-
25	grams and activities at the Department and at

the National Laboratories, which shall include a



1	description of each education program or activ-
2	ity supported by the Department or the Na-
3	tional Laboratories, a description of the in-
4	tended beneficiaries, and the amount of Federal
5	funding used to support it; and
6	(B) a schedule for conducting independent
7	evaluations of the education programs and ac-
8	tivities identified under subparagraph (A) to as-
9	sess the impact of such programs and activities
10	on the intended beneficiaries and the larger
11	mission of the Office of Science that shall result
12	in all evaluations of the programs being com-
13	pleted not later than 4 years after the date of
14	enactment of this Act.
15	(2) Implementation of schedule.—The
16	Secretary shall implement the schedule provided
17	under paragraph (1)(B) and shall transmit each
18	evaluation to the Congress as it is completed, along
19	with a description of any actions the Secretary in-
20	tends to take as a result of the evaluation.
21	(c) National Laboratories.—The Secretary shall
22	include the conduct of education programs at the National
23	Laboratories and the results of any evaluations of such
24	programs as a factor in the annual setting of the perform-



I	ance and other incentive fees for a National Laboratories
2	management and operations contractor.
3	SEC. 14. DEFINITIONS.
4	In this Act—
5	(1) the term "institution of higher education"
6	has the meaning given such term in section 101(a)
7	of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C.
8	1001(a)); and
9	(2) the term "National Laboratory" has the
10	meaning given the term "nonmilitary energy labora-
11	tory" in section 903(3) of the Energy Policy Act of
12	2005 (42 U.S.C. 16182(3)).

